

PORTO RICO IS OURS.

Becomes a Part of The United States Today at Noon—No Delay Experienced.

Peace Commissioner Day Gives The Spanish Commissioners Some Straight Talk About The Situation.

Washington, Oct. 18.—A cable from San Juan announces that the American military authorities took possession of Porto Rico today in the name of the United States. There was no delay in the program that has been arranged for several days.

OUR ULTIMATUM.

Paris, Oct. 18.—It is understood that Commissioner Day has told the Spanish peace commissioners that there must be no more delay on the part of Spain in meeting American demands.

He is reported to have said that America might demand the whole of the Philippines and that some of the Cuban debt would be assumed, and that he desired a prompt agreement that the final treaty might be signed.

SNOW AND BLIZZARD.

The West Suffering Today From a Touch of Winter.

St. Louis, Oct. 18.—All the west is today in the grasp of the blizzard. Heavy snow fell here today and in many other western towns. Much suffering is reported.

SMALL BLAZE.

A house belonging to Mr. John Leeman, at Sixth and Jackson streets, was burned early last evening. The blaze originated from a defective flue, and the loss is not great, as it was a three room structure.

MASONIC NOTICE.

Plain City Lodge No. 449, F. & A. M., will meet at their lodge room in the Leech building on North Fourth street at 7:30 o'clock tonight in stated communication. Visitors welcome.

G. O. INGRAM, Secretary.

ACCEPTS A GOOD POSITION.

Mr. George Uehlschlaeger has accepted the position of bookkeeper at H. Wall & Son, a place vacated by Mr. Sam Livingston Saturday.

RETAIL CLERKS MET.

The Retail Clerks' union met last night and decided to become a member of the Commercial and Manufacturing Association of Paducah.

ESTHER LODGE.

Eather Lodge No. 1162, Knights and Ladies of Honor, meets tonight in regular session at 7:30 o'clock in their hall in the Campbell building. All members are requested to attend.

J. G. SWITZER, Rec. Sec.

ANOTHER BANKRUPT.

C. L. Shirrell, of Clear Springs, Graves county, today filed a petition in bankruptcy in the U. S. court here. The amount of his liabilities is at present unknown.

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CHICAGO'S GREAT DAY.

The Whole City Today Devotes Itself To The Celebration of the Peace Jubilee.

Addresses by Mayor Harrison and Others—President McKinley The Center of Attraction Everywhere.

Chicago, Oct. 18.—The great Auditorium theater was packed today at the peace jubilee exercises. Speeches were made by Mayor Carter Harrison, Archbishop Ireland and other prominent persons.

Fifteen thousand meetings were held this morning in various parts of the city, all addressed by prominent men.

President McKinley is the center of attraction and is enthusiastically cheered wherever he goes.

The crowds are enormous, notwithstanding the weather is most disagreeable.

FEVER SITUATION.

Many New Cases Yet Reported in Mississippi Towns.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 18.—Thirty-eight new cases of yellow fever and two deaths are reported from the Mississippi Valley yesterday. The town of Harrison is in the worst shape, every house being infected.

THE CITY ENGINEER.

The Council Once Again Has to Contend With This Officer Incompetent.

He Has Now Almost Ruined Several Streets—Some Other Things.

There were two matters that came up before the council last night which show conclusively to the average thinker that the city has a funny kind of engineer. One of these was the grade on a South Side street, which was lowered as much as eight feet in places, contrary to law, by the engineer, and to the detriment of the city, of the adjacent property, and to the injury of the sanitary advantage of the locality, as it will drain the water against nature, if constructed according to the grades given by the engineer. The details are to be found in the council proceedings.

The other matter was that of Seventeenth street, or Fountain avenue, where the engineer gave two or three different grades on one block, for pavements. Reputable citizens are willing to take oath any time that two grades were given, and it is said on good authority three were given—all on one block. That an engineer that can't do better than this is not competent for the position of city engineer of Paducah, is the general opinion; still the council does nothing towards rectifying the wrong it committed in electing him.

It is said the engineer gave grades on Bridge street which would have cut it down six feet, and as it had already been cut three feet, this would have made it nine feet in all.

Eightth street has been cut down four feet by the engineer.

All this was without authority of the council, and subjects the engineer to a fine of \$20 in each case, as well as merits his dismissal by a council that is supposed to represent the people.

Contractor E. C. Terrell can attest the fact that the city engineer gave him three different grade sheets for one street, and four for another. Only one is given by competent engineers.

The sidewalk on Fountain avenue is a horrible example of the city engineer's ability. It has to be seen to be appreciated. Also Eighth street and a number of other localities.

It will take two or three years, from present prospects, to correct the errors he has made in one year.

It is late in the day to fire him, but it is better late than never.

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PROTESTS BY THE PEOPLE.

Which Seem to Show What Sort of a City Engineer We Have—Council Meeting Last Night.

Important Changes Made in the City Physician Ordinance—Other Proceedings of the Council.

The council met last night in regular session, Mayor Lang presiding and all the members present. The matter of refunding the bonds did not come up. An ordinance requiring the city physician to dispense his own medicines, which will be bought at wholesale by the city instead of from the druggists, and increasing his salary \$160 was given first passage.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Chairman Fowler, of the finance committee, read the following bills, which were allowed:

Street pay roll.....	\$308 75
Street pay roll.....	282 55
Sewer pay roll.....	29 15
Lookup keeper.....	48 12
Al Hymarsh.....	138 00
Wm. Porteous, Oak Grove.....	28 87
A. L. Joyner.....	18 75
Michael Bros.....	6 15
Paducah Gas Co.....	3 20
Jackson Foundry & Machine Co.....	40 30
J. L. Powell.....	1 70
W. D. Downs & Son.....	3 00
Al Hymarsh.....	13 00

MAYOR'S ORDERS.

Work on fire station..... 68 85

Webb & Co..... 15 00

Joe Cook..... 1 75

Jacob Weil..... 10 00

R. G. Rouse..... 23 65

Rudolph Street..... 13 20

Steamer P. D. Staggs..... 5 00

Voight Bros..... 30 00

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Voight Bros..... 90 00

Mrs. Hyrd..... 1 50

Clyde Cooper..... 5 00

Audy Linderman..... 50 00

Ben Boyd..... 1 20

Telegrams..... 1 47

L. E. Durrett..... 2 00

John Smith..... 10 00

Fowler Wharfboat Co..... 7 00

Railroad Transportation..... 13 35

J. E. Potter's bill was referred.

Street Inspector L. Terback reported the collection of \$30 for dirt.

The bill for election officers on extra registration day, amounting to \$110 was allowed.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE.

Chairman Ezell read the ordinance providing for the improvement of Caldwell street from Eleventh to Twelfth street.

A petition from Mr. Casper Vogt protesting was read. He claims it will ruin his homeplace, which has been occupied for thirty years. He said four years ago he was forced by the city to move his fence several feet off of property he had occupied for thirty years. He said if the street was improved it would take a rope ladder to get into his house.

The ordinance was given final passage.

An ordinance was read prescribing that the city physician shall hereafter fill his own prescriptions, or to dispense his own medicines to the indigent sick, the medicine to be purchased at wholesale by the city. It was moved to increase the salary from \$600 to \$750.

The mayor said he was opposed to the increase. He said that there was no question but that the drug bill was too large. The duties of the city physician would be but little increased.

The motion to fix the salary at \$750 prevailed by a vote of 10 to 2. Winstead and Clark voting no.

Capt. Fowler said he was in favor of the increase in salary because the city physician was required to furnish his own instruments, and under the new ordinance would be required to fill his own prescriptions. At present, he said, the prescriptions were sent to a druggist who charged about three prices. If the city physician was so disposed, he said, he could get three times the amount of his salary in rebates on drugs.

The mayor did not think the amount saved by buying the drugs at wholesale would justify the city in increasing the salary \$150.

The ordinance was given first passage by a unanimous vote.

The ordinance requiring all vehicles, except hacks, to be stationed when not in action, on Jefferson and Court streets from First to Second, was given second reading.

Mr. Jackson moved to amend to have them required to remain from First to Third, instead of First to Second.

Mr. Fowler was opposed to the amendment.

Mr. Smith said the street cars do not run from Fourth to Second streets on Court. That he thought there was more room for them from Second to Third than from First to Second.

Mr. Elliott said the hackmen did not want to be forced to any one locality. They were willing to stay off of Broadway.

The amendment prevailed, and the ordinance was given first passage.

RELIEF COMMITTEE.

Chairman Jones asked for further

time in the Sam Stanley matter. Granted.

SEWERAGE COMMITTEE.

Chairman Elliott reported that the right of way desired by the city for a change in the sewerage, as outlined by City Engineer Postlethwaite, through Maiden alley, and which will obviate the necessity of carrying the sewerage through Second street, had been granted by Mr. Geo. Langstaff, and the latter's agreement was concurred in.

LICENSE COMMITTEE.

Chairman Davis read a petition from P. F. Lally asking that his saloon license be transferred to M. Gallagher. Granted.

A petition for a transfer of H. S. Allen's coffee house license to Jake Rouse was granted.

LIGHT AND WATER COMMITTEE.

Chairman Clark had read a petition to extend the water mains into Mechanicsburg. Referred to city attorney.

NEW BUSINESS.

Judge L. D. Husbands was present and said he was here in regard to the grade given on Bridge street, at the turn of the gravel road. He said in 1895, in pursuance of a petition from property holders, City Engineer Wilcox gave the grade for street improvements. He said the profile had been lost and the grade papers had never been returned to the council.

He said the grade given by the present engineer made a fall of nine feet; he said the profile of the present engineer would reverse the order of things, and a small rise would back directly into a street, which will then be a regular canal, owing to the cut now staked off by the engineer. He said the result would absolutely be to run the water against nature, and to high ground it was never known to touch before. He said some of the lots would then be eight feet above the street, and their value would be greatly impaired. He said City Engineer Postlethwaite's excuse was that he wanted to make the grade of the street conform to the height of the bridge. The bridge, however, is four feet below high water mark, and is to be held down by iron when there is a rise. The city will doubtless in time want to build the bridge above high water mark, but it would then find the street four feet below the proposed bridge, and the new bridge would have to be built below the water mark, or the street reconstructed. Col. Husbands wanted the grade given as it was originally fixed. He said if it would redound to any public good he would not complain.

Mr. Jones said he agreed with Col. Husbands, and that if the street is built as now graded, it will necessitate a brick wall to keep it from being washed away.

Col. Husbands said that Mr. Potter had not bid on any profile, as a profile had never been seen. The previous action of the council was null and void, as a result.

The mayor read the ordinance relative to grades, which seems to make the city engineer liable for a misdemeanor, the fine for which is not less than \$20 nor more than \$50. It allows no street or alley grade to be changed without consent of the council.

The matter was referred to the street committee.

Mr. Rudolph said he had a complaint against the city turning water into his property between Ninth and Tenth street. Referred to the sewerage committee.

Mr. H. Diehl asked relief from over assessment on his property on South Third street. Referred to supervisors.

Mr. Ezell stated that the finance committee, to whom was referred the matter of drainage in the West End, had agreed to recommend the improvement of Monroe street. He asked that an ordinance be drafted.

Mr. Elliott said the matter was referred to the sewerage committee. They were at work on it already he said. The ordinance committee was instructed to bring in an ordinance for the improvement of Monroe from Fourteenth to Sixteenth street.

The mayor reported that in the matter of gravel furnished by Voight Bros., was at first of excellent quality, but they changed their place of getting gravel, and the city engineer declined to accept any more of it, and that he, the mayor, had taken the liberty to decline to receive more.

A letter was received from Mr. Llan White, sewerage contractor, stating that he would put in the pumping station according to the original specifications, but that if changes were made, he would not construct it unless paid \$250 extra.

A report was read from Sewerage Engineer Lyon relative to sewerage in southern district. Referred to the sewerage committee.

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The next day, after the dirt had been carried away, he returned and gave another grade, which was four inches above the last grade. Mr. Dalkin then had to have sand and fill up, and asked that the city, on account of the engineer's mistake, reimburse him. It is said that the grade given Mr. Jack Coulson is different from any of the above two, making three

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John McCollum, watchman at the Palmer-Ferguson plant, was given police power.

The matter of Myers street at Woodward being obstructed by Clements Bros. was referred. Adjourned.

THE INDUSTRIES OF PADUCAH.

Their Past, Present and Future to Be Outlined in the Sun.

The Sun's great industrial edition which will be published on Thanksgiving day is receiving much encouragement from the substantial business people of the city. Already some of the largest concerns, both wholesale and retail, have taken space and the work has just begun. It is to give to the citizens of Paducah an idea of what their home city is in the commercial and industrial world and to tell of its public institutions and advantages, and its historic growth that the Sun will issue this great edition.

It is to tell the people of the country and state and of the whole country of Paducah's marvelous advantages and of her enterprises, and at the same time give the merchants a chance to bring their business to the notice of the public in a form which must attract and hold the attention and respect of the surrounding country to the fact that Paducah is the metropolis of southwestern Kentucky.

Our special representative will call on every business firm in the city.

LIKE THE ARMY.

Numerous Regiments Ask to Be Kept in the Service Regularly.

Washington, Oct. 18.—A stampede to be retained in the military service has begun among the volunteer regiments that were to be mustered out. Petitions signed by a majority of men in regiments whose services would soon be dispensed with, asking that they be retained are coming in every day to the War Department. This condition of things is naturally surprising, as there was great clamor for the discharge of volunteers following the signing of the peace protocol. Officials of the military administration do not pretend to be able to explain its full meaning, but most of them believe that it is the logical result of the recovery of the country from the hysteria that prevailed when the troops were returning from Cuba. The approach of cold weather with the prospect of returning to their ordinary vocations to secure a livelihood, it also given as one of the reasons that has induced men to ask to be retained in the army with surety of three meals a day and residence in a mild climate.

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REPORTER MISTAKEN

Supt. Harahan, of the Illinois Central, Was Misquoted.

The Shops Will Never Be Moved From Paducah—Other Railroad News.

Supt. W. J. Harahan, of the Illinois Central, was in the city last night, and when seen by a Sun reporter and asked about the alleged interview with him, in which the Louisville Dispatch quoted him as saying that the shops here were inadequate, and the location undesirable, stated that the reporter misquoted him, as he never said any such thing as ascribed to him in the alleged interview.

"We simply bought some land up near Louisville to use sometime in the future for yard purposes," he said. "That reporter misunderstood me."

LADIES' SOCIETIES.

The ladies' committee of the Y. M. C. A. is called to meet in the association library tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock. State Secretary H. E. Rosecrance will meet with the committee. Mrs. R. B. Phillips, Chairman.

The W. C. T. U. meets promptly at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in the lecture room of the First Christian church. All members are requested to be there on time.

SENT TO EVANSVILLE.

Mrs. Lou Cotton and a sick child were sent to Evansville by the mayor today. They had been here for some time and were without means of support. The woman's husband is here, and will go to Evansville when able to travel.

WANTED.—Two Salesmen for staple line. Good Holiday sellers. One or three years contract. Give references and state line sold. W. D. Cannon, Jr., & Co., Iowa City, Ia.

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Our own importations and direct purchases from manufacturers. Paducah's recognized bargain center—THE BAZAAR—is again to the front with a complete showing of Winter apparel, Millinery, Underwear and Fur Goods of every description. Always lowest, and vastly lower now than later on. Innumerable lines of goods closed out to us by manufacturers, at prices that will prove more than interesting to bargain seekers and our many customers.

150 Boucle all-wool Jackets, high storm, or coat collars ready made and perfect fitting. These Jackets are well worth \$7 and \$8; our price for this sale \$4.00.

Two hundred New Silk Plush Capes, colored silk lining and genuine Thibet Fur trimming, worth \$6.50. Our price for this sale \$4.00.

Silk Waists—Fancy cloth waists and fancy plaid waists at less than the cost of making alone. Ask to see them. They range in price from \$1.00 to \$4.50.

JUST RECEIVED—200 new sample black, strictly all-wool, Brilliantine Skirts; all sizes. Just the kind of a skirt to wear in all kinds of weather. Sale price \$1.49.

Everything in Silk, Satin and fine Fancy Novelty Skirts that art can design at very lowest prices.

Six hundred pairs Children's Heavy Ribbed Hose go in this sale at 50 per pair.

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SOLE AGENTS

MUNICIPAL R. R. BONDS.

Belief General That They Will Not Be Refunded—The Matter Did Not Come Up Last Night For Settlement.

The Mayor Does Not Think That Roberts & Cox Will Contest—Doubt About the Validity of the Bonds—Other News.

There has been considerable talk of the bond issue proposed to be refunded, and which was mentioned in an article yesterday.

The bond ordinance did not come up last night for second passage, as the city attorney has the case under advisement. He declined to state his opinion this morning, but said he had it prepared when the council calls for it. The position of the mayor, who is opposed to the refunding of the bonds, and also of several of the other leading councilmen, would indicate that the opinion of the attorney is that the council should not refund them.

The mayor stated to a reporter that he did not think the ordinance would be passed when it was called up for second reading. In event it does not, he does not think that Roberts & Cox, will contest it, as the original bonds, those outstanding at present, are under a cloud, or are illegal. The refunded bonds would be no better than the original, and it is probable that Roberts & Cox, are not willing to make a fight over bonds that might some day be considered invalid.

Supt. Eiler, of the sewerage, has returned from Chicago, but does not know for certain whether or not he will buy one of the trenching machines he went to the Lake City to see. He thinks before the contractors would be justified in purchasing one, improvements will be made on it.

Two ladies of the city were in to see the mayor this morning about constructing streets about the fair grounds. That is the locality in which they live and they claim the mayor promised them to have streets built in event of his election. They had a letter from the city attorney, written in a jocular vein, stating that it looked very much like the mayor was like all other candidates—full of redemptive, and unfulfilled promises. A great deal of fun was had at the expense of the mayor over the visit of the ladies who wanted streets in front of their homes near the fair ground.

Marshal Collins is getting very mad about the way some of the dens of iniquity are run in the city. It has reached his ears that coke is being retained in large quantities to negroes, and that some of the dive hoppers are running disorderly houses. Two women were arrested last night for entering saloons or the

POLICE COURT.

One Felony Case Was Continued This Morning Until Friday.

The Clothing Case Continued Until Friday or Until Re-Set.

There was a short session of Judge Sanders' court this morning. The most important case was against Clayton Cawhorne, colored, charged with maliciously shooting French Owen, colored.

It seems from the evidence before Marshal Collins that Owen was playing bad at the colored Old Fellows Hall, and whipped one man and returned looking for another. He found Cawhorne, and slapped him in the face. Before he could do more Cawhorne drew a pistol and shot him in the jaw. The wound was dressed by Dr. Nelson, colored, and is not thought to be serious. Cawhorne was arrested and the case was this morning passed until Thursday on application of the defendant's attorney, Maj. Harris.

The case against Mr. S. Desberger, the clothing merchant, was passed until Friday, or until the lawyers agree on the time to hear the case. Mr. Desberger is a wealthy St. Louis clothing merchant who came here and entered into business.

Local merchants decided to prosecute him for coming here, and he was yesterday arrested on a charge of being a "peddler." This is the only law the authorities could find under which to prosecute him. The license required of a peddler is \$25 a day. Mr. Desberger said to a reporter that he would fight the case until it was carried to the U. S. court, if necessary. Judge Bloomfield is his lawyer.

Judge Sanders this morning decided to render his opinion on the constitutionality of the ordinance requiring all females to keep out of saloons or buildings in which saloons are located. Mary Blair and Isadora Herring were charged with the offense of visiting them, and the Blair woman claimed she went over on business. Her mother was called and said she sent her daughter over after "pig's feet," and the next she heard of her she was under arrest. The mother at this juncture began weeping, and the court was temporarily suspended while the judge inquired what the woman was so affected by.

He then said that he would tomorrow render his opinion on the constitutionality, and have the matter taken before Judge Husbands for final adjudication. He had hoped for some time that it would be carried before him for his opinion, but it had never been done yet, and he was disposed to wait no longer. He some time since decided that the ordinance was constitutional. The cases against the women were continued until tomorrow morning.

L. P. Cheek was fined \$1 and costs for being drunk. He was arrested last night by officers Crow and Sudath.

A breach of the peace case against John Kyle, a soldier, for striking a man named John Russell, was dismissed. The evidence showed that Kyle was drunk and imposing on Russell when struck, and prosecuting Attorney Campbell made a motion that the case be dismissed.

Light colored men's overcoats at \$8, worth \$15 at SACRIFICE SALE in White Building.

THE PEACOCK THRONE.

A Brilliant and Costly Affair as Described by Ancient Authors.

Readers often confound the peacock throne of Shah Jehan with the throne of David, the latter being mentioned by several ancient authors as being of unusual splendor. Hamlin says: "The famous peacock throne of Indian history is no myth; the Tavernier examined it with care, and has left a description of it to clear that its reality and its value are matters of fact. It was so called from the figures of two peacocks with expanded tails standing behind its large base. These figures were constructed of gold and precious stones of all varieties, and so arranged as to represent the natural colors of the birds. The beautiful hues of the feathers were closely imitated by the arrangement of fine rubies, diamonds, sapphires and other gems. The throne was six feet long and four feet wide, and was constructed of solid gold, inlaid with diamonds, emeralds and rubies. Steps of silver were placed in front of it while a canopy of gold, fringed with pearls, supported by 12 pillars embellished with flashing gems, surmounted the whole. Between the peacocks stood a representation of the parrot, carved from emerald or some green stone. On each side of the throne was placed one of the sacred umbrellas, called chatra, made of richly embroidered crimson velvet fringed with pearls, about eight feet long, and studded with diamonds. This was the most costly and superb work of art of its kind ever invented. Its rival was the curlew throne of the house of Bhamanee in the Nizam. It was constructed in the seventeenth century, and according to the description of Ferishta, the Persian historian, was nine feet long by three feet wide, made of ebony, covered with plates of gold, and inlaid with gems. Its value was estimated at quite \$200,000. At the sack of Delhi the peacock throne, with many other priceless relics, fell into the hands of Nadir Shah and his revenue followers, and was carried off by them and broken up."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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THE Y. M. C. A.

The Report of the Association Work for the Past Year.

The Work for the Coming Year Outlined—An Interesting Report.

A most important feature of the Y. M. C. A. services at the Broadway M. E. church Sunday night was the reading of the report of the past year's work of the association, which was as follows:

The board of directors, in submitting this the third annual report of the Paducah Young Men's Christian association, feels that it is highly fitting that such report be read to the general public, and especially to the membership of our city churches, who are our patrons and our friends, and must bear the responsibility of its support.

The rooms of the association have been kept open, without a single exception, each week day from 8 a. m. to 10 p. m., and each Sunday from 2 to 5 p. m., during the entire year, and in that time an average of fifty visitors have been made by young men who have taken advantage of the privileges offered.

The physical department, with its gymnasium and baths, has been perhaps the most attractive feature of the entire work. During the fall and winter classes in the gymnasium were conducted to a good advantage, and upwards of 2,000 baths have been taken in the well arranged but rooms. The social life of the association has been stimulated, and we may add, to a large extent revived by receptions, entertainments, members' meetings, and through the games and social rooms, where warmth and good fellowship prevail.

The reading room, supplied with a liberal number of carefully selected periodicals and papers, together with a growing library of over 500 volumes, has proven a very attractive feature, and their cost and use test the value that is placed upon them. The membership is now 100, which is some below the average. This may be accounted for, perhaps, by the lack of necessary aggressive work during the last few months of the year.

The ladies' committee of the association, composed of women from the various churches specially interested in our work, have rendered valuable service throughout the past year, both in connection with the financial canvass and in matters relating to the appearance of the rooms. This committee also has special charge of the library.

The religious meetings of the association afford by no means the only opportunity we have of presenting Christ to men, since the whole tone of our work tends to point them to Him. The attendance at the Sunday afternoon men's meeting has aggregated 1,403. A considerable number of men have requested prayer and have been personally dealt with after the meeting. Two of these men have confessed and accepted Christ. Special Bible classes and prayer meetings have been held from time to time. In many other ways has the association, through its various agencies, such as the boarding house register, assistance in securing situations, visits to sick young men, etc., proven of great aid to young men.

The financial canvass, which was so successfully conducted in the early months of the present year, brought great relief to the work, for which we are profoundly grateful to the generous friends who responded so nobly to our appeal. Last year we reported an indebtedness of \$1,666.11, which, together with current expenses for the year, amounting to \$1,931.25, made our needs \$3,597.36. The sum of \$2,705.54 was received from friends of the work and from membership dues during the year ending August 31, 1898, leaving a balance of \$871.82 unprovided for at the close of the year. This deficit is due to a shrinkage in expected receipts from membership dues, which were pledged at \$100, believed to be collectable. The expenses have been considerably reduced as compared to that reported last year and the year previous. The conduct of the work for the coming year, upon the most economical basis, will require the expenditure of \$2,100, which, together with the deficit of \$871.82, will make the total amount required \$2,971.82, as against \$3,597.36 last year.

Plans for a vigorous work during the autumn and winter are being formed. Some of them are here announced: First. Special effort will be given, the physical department. Classes will be organized and a general interest awakened.

Second. A stronger volunteer committee work will be organized, serving the declining and our work, and of contributing to the training of men for greater usefulness in any phase of Christian work.

Third. Increased advantages to the young men of the city, which we have reason to believe will induce them to make use of the membership privileges.

Fourth. A more thorough effort will be made to promote Bible study among the members. Special effort will be given to all debilitated religious work.

Fifth. The canvass for current expenses will be prosecuted immediately, and it is confidently believed the citizens of Paducah will respond promptly and liberally, thus proving their deep interest in a cause devoted to the upbuilding of their young men.

The board of directors ask, and with confidence expect, that the people of Paducah will stand loyally by the association with their money and their sympathy in the larger life into which it is proposed to enter. For the kindly past assistance and cooperation of the people of Paducah, the pastors, and the press, we desire

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To extend our most grateful thanks, realizing at the same time that the organization is conducted, in the largest sense, solely in their interest as citizens of this community. With hearts full of gratitude to God for the rich blessings He has bestowed upon the association and its work, we enter the new year with confidence, for "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." "The God of heaven, He will prosper us, therefore we will serve Him, with arise and sing."

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THE OUT-DOOR WOMAN.

Some Rules on the Rescuing of a Drowning Person.

In all methods which involve the grasping of the helpless person by the rescuer the swimmer must rely upon three limbs to make her progress. These are the left arm is generally used to support the drowning person, thus leaving the stronger right to assist in the rescue. The rescuer swims with the left arm breast stroke, grasping the arm of the other just below the armpit firmly with her left arm, and towing the body along beside her, parallel with her own. Occasionally, if the drowning person is light and the water not very rough, he may be supported merely by the rescuer's hand being placed underneath the chest, high enough to keep his head out of water. This could not be done, however, if he struggled at all.

There is another method, differing from any of those yet mentioned, in that it allows the rescuer the full liberty of both arms as well as both legs, and, if properly managed, hinders her progress scarcely at all. It cannot be used unless the person who is in danger of drowning has consciousness and self-command enough to obey orders, but there are such cases as this; for example, when one who is himself a swimmer happens to be seized with cramp, or rendered helpless temporarily, or becomes exhausted when at a considerable distance from shore. The method is for the exhausted person to face the rescuer and throw his arms about the rescuer's neck, allowing his body to float forward, as it will, first, until it is extended almost horizontally under that of the swimmer. If the helpless person refrains from pulling downward with his arms, and just maintains a sufficiently firm hold to keep his face out of water, the swimmer will be able to proceed with perfect safety by means of the breast stroke. This has been tried often, and proved to be a successful way of rescuing with the weight of another.

These swimmers who have never tried it will find it interesting to practice, and may be glad some day of the possession of the skill thus gained.—Harper's Bazar.

TWO GREAT ACTORS.

Their Happy Reminiscence Chats at "Rip Van Winkle's" Home.

"Think of the time, now gone, when Edwin Booth made his annual visits to his dear old friend Joseph Jefferson," writes Josephine Robb, of "Rip Van Winkle's Home Journal." "Can you not see them two, with all the rest of the family, sitting around the open fire in the dining room? These two great actors and their friends are talking of days that have gone by—telling the story of some important event in which they had met, and who was present at the meeting. And then the history of some happy time would be told, and it would be 'Ed, and you ever think?' or 'Joe, will you ever forget?' And so the conversation would go on, and they would be boys again. The light from the bright fire—which was the only light in the room—shows these two faces to perfection. One would tell some old joke and both would laugh merrily—so merrily that all the family, down to the smallest child, joined in. Then the tears would glisten in the eyes of each as the name of some old companion was mentioned—some one who had been full of sorrow and who had gone before, perhaps—who would know to show them the way. The wonderful profile of Edwin Booth looks as if it were cut in ivory, while the expressive face of Mr. Jefferson suggests anything so firm; it is more like wax with a soul. There came a time when the dear friend was there no more, and none but Mr. Jefferson himself will know how much he has been missed."

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Two of the World's Greatest Men Who Died in 1895.

In the summer of 1895 the world lost two men, each of whom, in his own way and in his own country, had exerted an unusual influence on the development of science. They were born and they died within a few months of each other. Each was endowed by nature with the gift of seeing the relationship of apparently unrelated phenomena; each passed through a medical training; each devoted time, much against his will, to dissection and anatomy; each was a

ELECTRICITY UNDER WATER.

The Sly Submarine Boat "Holland" Manoeuvred by Only Five Men.

The oldest of new applications of electricity are the uses to which it is turned under water in the operation of the "Holland" submarine boat. The "Holland" does not need much to make her a very ugly customer for an enemy to be approached by. She can practically skim along under the surface of the water without being visible, while a small tube, carrying at its top an inclined mirror or prism, in the manner of the camera lucida, will throw a picture of the surrounding waters upon a board in the conning tower. In making an attack the boat would advance, with simply her conning tower above water, until she was within range for the use of her aerial torpedo gun. A shell containing 100 pounds of gun cotton would be discharged, and she would at once sink out of sight to escape retaliation. At the moment of discharge a system of compensating weights would admit to the tank a sufficient amount of water to preserve the trim of the vessel. When the boat had run up a little nearer to the hostile ship, she would discharge one, and if the first missed, two of her torpedoes. In the unlikely event of missing with the first torpedoes, she would fire her rear torpedo gun at the enemy as it swept by her. The boat is about 36 feet long, has a crew of five men, and room for 20 dynamite shells. Her chief value is in her ability to fire her guns while submerged. Her aft gun can discharge an 80-pound shell 800 yards under water with a high velocity. Her normal speed is one knot an hour for six hours, although she can speed up to 12 knots for short periods of time. Current for her propulsion is supplied from a storage battery of 60 chloride accumulators, which are built solidly into one compartment, 15 feet long, six feet wide and 30 inches high. The total battery weight is 45,000 pounds. The batteries are charged by means of gasoline engine and dynamo set. Should the boat be running on the surface, the gasoline engine can operate it for 1,000 miles at eight knots an hour with the amount of fuel on board. The normal capacity of the dynamo is 50 horse-power; it weighs 3,500 pounds, and its armature speed is 800 revolutions per minute. The "Holland" also has a ten horse-power motor for running a seven horse-power air compressor. This motor is also used to operate a bilge pump. A one-half horse-power motor ventilates the boat while submerged, by forcing the fresh air into the water, its place being taken by fresh air from the reservoirs which are fed by the compressor. Another one-half horse-power motor is used to ventilate the storage battery compartment by means of suction blowers for carrying off the battery fumes during charging.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

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DISCUSSION NOT ALLOWED.

In This Cafe Finance Must Not Be Touched On.

A couple of red-headed, yet, withal intelligent-looking, round is seated in front of the quarrelsome oak—not the mahogany, for mahogany is going out of style. They had placed in warm storage two loaves each, and were getting ready for another.

"Yes, he'll die."

"Same for me, but I'll die sooner than I'll let you go away from the fact that we need reform. Now, you take the currency and you see that the currency is not the government's property, it's the people's property, and the government is not to touch it."

"Here's looking."

"Let me go. As I was saying, if the government don't do something to relieve the pressure on its credit, it'll go."

"Well, silver's good enough for me if I can get enough of it."

"But that isn't it. You see, the capitalist has the advantage."

"Oh, I don't know about that. He can only cut three meals a day and wear one suit of clothes at a time, and when he gets sick he limits just as much as I do."

"But you don't know what you're talking about."

"Well, I guess I don't know much of fellows like you that always want to change the currency because you think the government owes you a living or something like a pension."

"But, you see, finance is a great science and unless you study it carefully you are not competent."

"That'll do," said the hawker.

"What'll do?" asked the man of science.

"Anything finance I can't do."

"Well, it's the matter with you. Can't you gentlemen?"

"Not on your life. We've had three patrol calls here in a week, and we've cut off the speedmaking biz, so we've had to start in good natural like and harkle on in your way, you don't understand, and then the other says you're nutty and off your trolley, and then one gets on his ear and the other says 'You're a liar,' etc., etc., etc., till two or three cents is worth ring on the floor and we've got the credit for running a disorderly house. See that why der boss said not to let any cents carry on a discussion about the money question. If you want a bout fer points you'll have to hire a hall and light it out wid empires an' bottle holders an' referees, but we can't afford to have any more hurry calls fer de patrol or dey'll close de joint."—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

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The Habit of Nagging.

The parents of an Acheson girl nag her so persistently, and make her life so unbearable, that she is about to make the mistake of rushing into a marriage with a worthless fellow, whose chief recommendation in her eyes lies in the fact that he never finds fault with her. It is a popular thing to talk of ungrateful children, and unappreciative children, but there is such a thing as a parent whose chief recommendation is nagging.—Acheson Globe.

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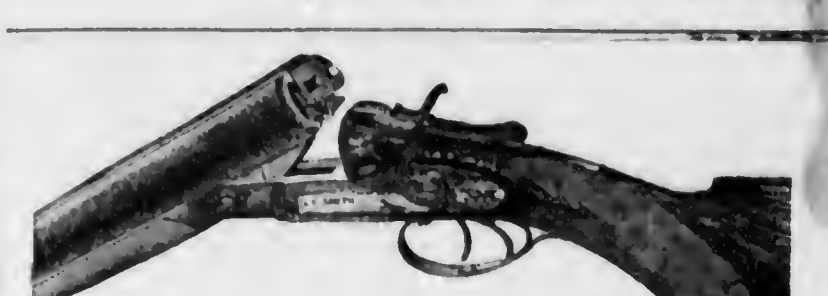
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